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Honorable Paul G. Gardephe
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500 Pearl Street
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Re: Ambac Financial Group, Inc., v. United States, 11 Civ. 270 (PGG) (JLC)

Dear Judge Gardephe:

We write on behalf of defendant United States of America (the "Government"), to respectfully request permission to include three extra pages in the Government's reply to the briefs filed by Debtor and Intervenor the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") in opposition to the Government's motion to withdraw the reference. The Government's reply is due on February 8, 2011. We seek an extension of the page limit due to the fact that the opposition memoranda filed by Debtor and the Committee each met or exceeded 20 pages, and the two briefs address a number of separate points. Both Debtor and the Committee have consented to this request.

We thank the Court for consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMO ENDORSED

The Application is granted.

SO ORDERED:

Paul G. Gardephe
Paul G. Gardephe, U.S.D.J.

Dated: Feb 8, 2011